9 June 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director of Central Intelligence

VIA : Deputy Director (Plans)

SUBJECT : Conversation between President Lopez Mateos of Mexico and Mr. Winston Scott, Chief of Station, Mexico

REFERENCE : MEXI 5698 (IN-49514), dated 8 June 60

1. This memorandum contains a suggestion, in Paragraph 3, for the consideration of the DCI.

2. On the night of 7 June, President Lopez Mateos requested Mr. Scott to inform "his good friend, President Eisenhower," of the following:

A. That the President is a friend of the United States, "not only because of necessity but of genuine desire and ideology".

B. That the invitation to President Dorticos of Cuba was extended two weeks after it was indicated that Dorticos was going to Mexico "on his own", through the Mexican Ambassador in Cuba.

C. That he will not invite Fidel Castro to Mexico even though Cuban Ambassador Jose Antonio Portuondo told President Lopez Mateos that Dorticos will request an invitation for Castro.

3. President Lopez Mateos also asked that President Eisenhower be informed that he [is delighted that a decision has now been made to get rid 24 of Castro.] The DCI may wish to inform the President of the above.

4. President Lopez Mateos was indirectly informed of CIA intentions in regard to Castro through a conversation between Mr. Scott and [Jose Lorenzo 0608 Cossio, Advisor to the Mexican President,] who informed Mr. Scott that President Lopez Mateos would not invite Castro to visit Mexico, even though Dorticos is [going to ask him to do so. Mr. Scott suggested that if the Mexican President helped CIA to achieve the overthrow of Castro, he would not have to deal with the problem of inviting Castro to Mexico.] 24

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